

## Recent Job Growth and Decline in the States

Rank	STATE	1,000s of Nonfarm Jobs: 2005			One Month		Two Months	
		August	September	October	Sept-Oct Change		Aug-Oct Change	
50	Louisiana.....	1,935.6	1,695.6	1,699.4	3.8	0.2%	-236.2	-12.2%
49	Mississippi.....	1,136.7	1,084.4	1,091.1	6.7	0.6%	-45.6	-4.0%
48	Missouri.....	2,742.5	2,722.7	2,718.0	-4.7	-0.2%	-24.5	-0.9%
47	Maine.....	620.6	616.5	618.2	1.7	0.3%	-2.4	-0.4%
46	New Hampshire.....	644.7	642.5	642.5	0.0	0.0%	-2.2	-0.3%
45	Alabama.....	1,937.1	1,933.5	1,930.7	-2.8	-0.1%	-6.4	-0.3%
44	North Carolina.....	3,899.1	3,893.2	3,888.4	-4.8	-0.1%	-10.7	-0.3%
43	Massachusetts.....	3,209.8	3,208.3	3,201.2	-7.1	-0.2%	-8.6	-0.3%
42	Rhode Island.....	495.6	495.3	494.7	-0.6	-0.1%	-0.9	-0.2%
41	Ohio.....	5,436.3	5,434.9	5,428.4	-6.5	-0.1%	-7.9	-0.1%
40	Michigan.....	4,352.7	4,362.5	4,348.4	-14.1	-0.3%	-4.3	-0.1%
39	Delaware.....	432.5	431.5	432.1	0.6	0.1%	-0.4	-0.1%
38	Indiana.....	2,959.6	2,970.7	2,956.9	-13.8	-0.5%	-2.7	-0.1%
37	Idaho.....	613.3	613.3	612.8	-0.5	-0.1%	-0.5	-0.1%
36	Montana.....	421.7	420.5	421.4	0.9	0.2%	-0.3	-0.1%
35	California.....	14,831.4	14,814.8	14,821.6	6.8	0.0%	-9.8	-0.1%
34	Alaska.....	309.8	311.3	309.6	-1.7	-0.5%	-0.2	-0.1%
33	South Dakota.....	391.4	393.1	391.2	-1.9	-0.5%	-0.2	-0.1%
32	North Dakota.....	343.4	345.4	343.4	-2.0	-0.6%	0.0	0.0%
31	Minnesota.....	2,727.8	2,725.2	2,727.8	2.6	0.1%	0.0	0.0%
	District of Columbia...	683.1	680.4	683.2	2.8	0.4%	0.1	0.0%
30	Nebraska.....	934.9	940.5	935.1	-5.4	-0.6%	0.2	0.0%
29	New Jersey.....	4,058.9	4,064.5	4,059.8	-4.7	-0.1%	0.9	0.0%
	<b>US Totals.....</b>	<b>134,013</b>	<b>134,005</b>	<b>134,061</b>	<b>56.0</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>48.0</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
28	Illinois.....	5,867.6	5,868.9	5,870.6	1.7	0.0%	3.0	0.1%
27	Arkansas.....	1,175.1	1,174.3	1,175.9	1.6	0.1%	0.8	0.1%
26	New York.....	8,535.5	8,550.7	8,541.8	-8.9	-0.1%	6.3	0.1%
25	Kentucky.....	1,821.1	1,822.9	1,822.5	-0.4	-0.0%	1.4	0.1%
24	Oklahoma.....	1,501.9	1,504.1	1,503.1	-1.0	-0.1%	1.2	0.1%
23	Wisconsin.....	2,831.9	2,832.8	2,834.6	1.8	0.1%	2.7	0.1%
22	South Carolina.....	1,836.2	1,835.3	1,839.4	4.1	0.2%	3.2	0.2%
21	Wyoming.....	263	263	263.5	0.5	0.2%	0.5	0.2%
20	Vermont.....	308.8	309.6	309.4	-0.2	-0.1%	0.6	0.2%
19	Pennsylvania.....	5,712.6	5,722.2	5,724.8	2.6	0.0%	12.2	0.2%
18	Connecticut.....	1,671.2	1,670.0	1,674.8	4.8	0.3%	3.6	0.2%
17	Georgia.....	3,939.3	3,930.0	3,947.8	17.8	0.5%	8.5	0.2%
16	West Virginia.....	742.9	742	744.6	2.6	0.4%	1.7	0.2%
15	Colorado.....	2,229.2	2,234.7	2,234.4	-0.3	-0.0%	5.2	0.2%
14	Texas.....	9,620.0	9,630.2	9,644.9	14.7	0.2%	24.9	0.3%
13	Hawaii.....	602.8	604.4	604.8	0.4	0.1%	2.0	0.3%
12	Florida.....	7,787.8	7,817.6	7,813.7	-3.9	-0.0%	25.9	0.3%
11	Oregon.....	1,653.8	1,658.4	1,659.6	1.2	0.1%	5.8	0.4%
10	Maryland.....	2,571.6	2,580.0	2,581.0	1.0	0.0%	9.4	0.4%
9	Iowa.....	1,477.3	1,478.0	1,482.8	4.8	0.3%	5.5	0.4%
8	Tennessee.....	2,722.7	2,729.9	2,734.9	5.0	0.2%	12.2	0.4%
7	Washington.....	2,776.4	2,765.2	2,789.4	24.2	0.9%	13.0	0.5%
6	Utah.....	1,147.8	1,149.4	1,153.3	3.9	0.3%	5.5	0.5%
5	Virginia.....	3,642.0	3,645.0	3,661.3	16.3	0.4%	19.3	0.5%
4	Arizona.....	2,487.4	2,496.6	2,502.3	5.7	0.2%	14.9	0.6%
3	New Mexico.....	806.3	809.4	811.7	2.3	0.3%	5.4	0.7%
2	Nevada.....	1,231.6	1,238.2	1,246.9	8.7	0.7%	15.3	1.2%
1	Kansas.....	1,338.2	1,352.3	1,356.6	4.3	0.3%	18.4	1.4%

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# Job Growth and Decline in the States: Just After the Gulf Coast Storms

October 2004 to October 2005

Rank	STATE	Nonfarm Establishment Jobs Total	Const- ruction	Manuf- acturing	Trade and Utilities	Information	Finance	Prof & Bus Services	Education & Health	Leisure & Hospitality	Other Services	Govt.	Unemployment Rates		
													Oct. '04	Sept. '05	Oct. '05
(Change over Year Ago: Percent)													(Percent Unemployed)		
50	Louisiana.....	-11.4%	-20.9%	-7.5%	-11.6%	-3.5%	-7.8%	-14.2%	-17.1%	-21.1%	-16.5%	-1.8%	5.8%	11.4%	11.3%
49	Mississippi.....	-3.3%	-1.2%	-2.8%	-4.1%	-0.7%	-2.0%	-0.9%	-0.7%	-10.9%	-10.5%	-0.7%	6.9%	10.3%	9.6%
48	Michigan.....	-1.1%	-1.6%	-3.2%	-1.1%	-4.5%	0.7%	-0.5%	0.7%	-0.0%	0.9%	-2.3%	7.2%	6.5%	6.1%
47	Ohio.....	0.2%	-1.1%	-0.5%	-0.5%	-1.1%	0.4%	2.4%	0.9%	0.5%	0.7%	-0.3%	6.2%	5.9%	5.9%
46	South Carolina.....	0.3%	-0.3%	-1.5%	2.1%	6.6%	0.7%	-1.7%	3.4%	1.3%	-3.6%	-0.6%	6.9%	6.6%	6.9%
45	Indiana.....	0.4%	1.3%	-0.8%	0.7%	0.5%	1.2%	1.1%	1.9%	1.7%	-0.3%	-1.2%	5.2%	5.4%	5.4%
44	Massachusetts.....	0.5%	1.4%	-0.3%	0.3%	-2.0%	0.3%	1.9%	0.8%	0.7%	-1.0%	-0.1%	4.8%	4.8%	4.8%
43	Maine.....	0.5%	2.1%	-2.5%	0.3%	0.9%	-0.3%	0.2%	1.8%	1.8%	-0.5%	0.6%	4.7%	5.4%	5.2%
42	West Virginia.....	0.6%	7.4%	-1.7%	0.4%	2.5%	-2.0%	2.0%	0.5%	0.4%	-0.4%	0.0%	5.2%	5.7%	5.2%
41	Wisconsin.....	0.7%	3.8%	-0.7%	-0.8%	1.6%	0.9%	2.1%	1.9%	2.5%	0.3%	0.2%	4.7%	4.7%	4.5%
40	New York.....	0.8%	0.9%	-2.7%	0.2%	-0.6%	1.8%	2.2%	1.7%	1.5%	1.0%	-0.0%	5.5%	5.3%	4.9%
39	Connecticut.....	0.8%	4.9%	-0.4%	0.9%	-0.3%	1.0%	0.3%	1.1%	0.5%	0.5%	0.6%	4.7%	5.3%	5.3%
38	Tennessee.....	0.8%	1.8%	-0.3%	1.4%	-3.9%	1.4%	0.4%	2.0%	1.1%	1.0%	0.4%	5.3%	5.1%	5.6%
37	Missouri.....	0.9%	2.3%	1.0%	0.6%	2.5%	2.7%	1.4%	2.5%	-0.5%	1.3%	-1.1%	5.8%	4.9%	5.0%
36	New Jersey.....	1.0%	-1.8%	-3.9%	1.6%	-1.4%	1.0%	1.0%	2.0%	5.6%	3.4%	0.5%	4.5%	4.4%	3.9%
35	Alabama.....	1.1%	0.2%	1.1%	1.5%	0.0%	-0.5%	3.3%	1.7%	1.2%	-0.6%	0.1%	5.5%	4.1%	4.5%
34	Rhode Island.....	1.1%	3.7%	-3.7%	-1.0%	0.9%	3.8%	1.6%	4.1%	3.2%	0.4%	-0.4%	4.9%	5.7%	5.4%
33	Illinois.....	1.1%	1.2%	-0.9%	0.7%	-1.5%	1.0%	4.0%	1.1%	2.4%	0.5%	0.3%	6.1%	5.8%	5.5%
32	Pennsylvania.....	1.1%	2.3%	-2.1%	0.9%	-2.5%	1.0%	2.4%	2.3%	2.5%	1.8%	1.1%	5.6%	4.9%	4.6%
31	Arkansas.....	1.2%	1.9%	-1.1%	1.4%	-1.0%	1.6%	1.3%	3.1%	1.0%	-0.5%	2.0%	5.6%	5.1%	4.9%
30	North Carolina.....	1.2%	2.2%	-1.3%	-0.1%	2.7%	1.4%	3.9%	3.2%	1.8%	3.6%	0.0%	5.4%	5.5%	5.3%
29	Kentucky.....	1.2%	4.3%	0.2%	0.9%	-2.8%	-2.0%	2.7%	1.8%	3.1%	1.7%	0.3%	4.8%	5.7%	6.0%
28	Nebraska.....	1.2%	4.5%	1.2%	0.1%	-0.5%	3.5%	1.3%	0.2%	3.1%	0.6%	1.0%	3.8%	4.0%	3.7%
27	Virginia.....	1.2%	5.4%	-1.0%	1.5%	-0.2%	1.1%	1.4%	2.0%	0.6%	0.6%	0.6%	3.6%	3.6%	3.4%
26	California.....	1.3%	7.2%	0.2%	0.6%	-1.0%	1.3%	1.1%	1.7%	2.2%	0.2%	0.7%	6.0%	5.1%	5.2%
25	North Dakota.....	1.3%	3.2%	1.6%	1.8%	-1.3%	1.1%	2.9%	1.8%	1.6%	-2.0%	0.1%	3.5%	3.6%	3.5%
24	Minnesota.....	1.4%	1.8%	0.3%	0.0%	-1.7%	2.8%	1.8%	3.6%	2.9%	-2.0%	1.4%	4.5%	3.9%	3.7%
23	Georgia.....	1.4%	1.7%	-0.1%	0.7%	-0.4%	1.8%	2.6%	2.4%	3.3%	1.1%	0.8%	4.8%	5.5%	5.5%
22	Texas.....	1.4%	2.9%	0.1%	1.1%	2.9%	1.5%	2.1%	2.2%	1.6%	0.7%	0.6%	6.0%	5.3%	5.2%
21	Vermont.....	1.4%	6.2%	1.1%	0.5%	-1.6%	2.2%	4.2%	1.8%	1.2%	0.0%	-0.2%	3.4%	3.7%	4.0%
20	Iowa.....	1.4%	-0.3%	2.0%	0.6%	1.5%	3.7%	-0.3%	1.4%	4.9%	0.7%	0.4%	5.0%	4.6%	4.5%
	<b>US Totals.....</b>	<b>1.4%</b>	<b>3.8%</b>	<b>-7.0%</b>	<b>1.1%</b>	<b>0.2%</b>	<b>2.4%</b>	<b>2.7%</b>	<b>2.2%</b>	<b>1.6%</b>	<b>0.3%</b>	<b>0.8%</b>	<b>5.5%</b>	<b>5.1%</b>	<b>5.0%</b>
19	Delaware.....	1.4%	2.2%	-1.7%	2.7%	1.4%	1.3%	1.0%	2.7%	2.7%	0.5%	0.2%	4.1%	4.1%	4.2%
	District of Columbia.....	1.6%	-0.8%	4.2%	1.1%	2.2%	1.3%	2.9%	1.4%	5.8%	2.2%	-0.0%	8.6%	6.2%	6.1%
18	South Dakota.....	1.7%	4.8%	3.1%	2.2%	0.0%	3.6%	-1.7%	2.3%	-0.2%	0.6%	1.1%	3.5%	4.0%	4.0%
17	Montana.....	1.7%	4.8%	0.0%	1.3%	1.3%	0.5%	4.2%	2.6%	3.1%	-1.7%	0.1%	4.4%	4.5%	4.3%
16	Kansas.....	1.8%	5.2%	0.2%	0.6%	-1.2%	2.4%	4.1%	2.0%	0.5%	2.8%	2.3%	5.4%	5.1%	5.0%
15	Oklahoma.....	1.8%	2.4%	0.3%	1.7%	3.0%	2.0%	2.3%	2.2%	-0.9%	1.9%	2.7%	4.7%	4.4%	4.3%
14	New Hampshire.....	1.9%	4.8%	0.7%	2.3%	2.4%	0.8%	0.9%	3.8%	3.9%	-4.4%	0.3%	3.5%	3.9%	3.9%
13	Colorado.....	1.9%	6.5%	-1.4%	1.2%	-5.6%	1.9%	3.6%	2.5%	1.3%	0.9%	2.2%	5.4%	5.2%	4.9%
12	Alaska.....	1.9%	3.0%	0.0%	1.5%	1.4%	2.0%	3.9%	3.5%	3.1%	-1.7%	0.5%	7.5%	6.8%	6.9%
11	Maryland.....	2.0%	1.3%	-3.2%	2.2%	1.2%	2.1%	3.4%	2.6%	3.5%	2.8%	1.3%	4.2%	4.1%	4.1%
10	New Mexico.....	2.1%	7.2%	1.1%	1.4%	3.5%	1.4%	2.8%	1.5%	0.9%	0.7%	1.3%	5.6%	5.6%	5.4%
9	Hawaii.....	2.7%	10.5%	-1.3%	4.1%	-2.7%	2.4%	3.9%	3.2%	2.6%	2.9%	-0.6%	3.1%	2.7%	2.7%
8	Washington.....	2.9%	8.1%	2.1%	3.2%	3.1%	1.9%	4.4%	2.7%	3.2%	2.2%	0.9%	6.0%	5.7%	5.6%
7	Wyoming.....	2.9%	7.5%	2.0%	2.0%	4.8%	1.9%	2.6%	3.7%	1.6%	-1.0%	1.2%	4.2%	4.1%	4.1%
6	Oregon.....	3.0%	10.6%	2.3%	3.8%	7.6%	2.0%	2.7%	4.4%	1.5%	3.3%	0.4%	7.3%	6.2%	6.0%
5	Florida.....	3.4%	6.9%	1.5%	2.3%	0.0%	3.1%	5.6%	3.1%	3.9%	2.1%	1.9%	4.8%	3.5%	3.4%
4	Idaho.....	3.8%	13.7%	0.5%	4.0%	7.8%	4.9%	5.0%	5.4%	3.3%	2.2%	-0.4%	4.5%	3.6%	3.6%
3	Utah.....	3.8%	13.3%	2.0%	2.3%	6.0%	3.2%	6.6%	3.6%	2.2%	2.5%	1.8%	5.1%	4.7%	4.5%
2	Arizona.....	4.2%	12.6%	0.0%	4.3%	-1.7%	4.1%	4.7%	5.9%	4.7%	3.6%	1.2%	4.7%	5.0%	4.9%
1	Nevada.....	6.0%	11.4%	3.2%	4.0%	-1.4%	7.2%	9.9%	6.3%	5.2%	7.0%	3.0%	4.1%	4.2%	4.1%

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